

Fiscal Estimate - 2009 Session

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DHS 1/15/2010

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, if a fire fighter is disabled or dies as a result of a heart or respiratory impairment or disease, including cancer, it is presumed that the medical condition was the result of the fire fighter's employment, if the fire fighter had served at least five years in that capacity and if the person showed no evidence of impairment before joining the fire department. This presumption applies to proceedings regarding benefits for a state, county, or municipal fire fighter.

SB 429 creates language that defines infectious disease and specifies that correctional officers, emergency medical service providers, fire fighters, and law enforcement officers who become disabled or die because of an infectious disease will be presumed to have contracted the disease as a result of their employment. This presumption applies to proceedings regarding benefits for state, county, and municipal employees. The bill does not require that an individual be employed for a minimum term in order to qualify for this presumption.

This bill is not expected to have a fiscal effect on the Department.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

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DOT 1/19/2010

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The fiscal effect is indeterminate. Reducing the years to qualify for the presumption does not cause a direct increase in cost for the state. Early indication of a disease may not decrease cost either. However, this depends on the strength or complexity of the disease upon diagnosing from case to case.

Among the occupations affected by this bill, the Department employs only 416 law enforcement officers: 317 State Patrol troopers and 99 State Patrol inspectors.

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Indeterminate.

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ETF 12/23/2009

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill modifies certain aspects of the duty disability program under s. 40.65. Under the bill, in a proceeding regarding benefits for certain protective occupation participants related to a disability due to certain infectious diseases, there would be a presumption that the disease was caused by the person's employment if that person's pre-employment medical examination showed no evidence of the disease.

Any increase in administrative costs will be dependent on the number of new duty disability claims received as a result of this bill. Based on similar provisions in current law, it is anticipated that very few additional claims will be generated as a result of this change. As such, the increase in administrative costs is anticipated to be insignificant. Note that an actuarial analysis would be needed to better project the change in claims associated with this bill - this analysis has not been done or requested.

Only changes in the administrative costs associated with the duty disability program are included in this estimate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law provides that a state, county, or municipal fire fighter who dies or is disabled as the result of a heart or respiratory impairment or disease or of cancer, is legally presumed to have been caused by the employment as a fire fighter if the fire fighter served a minimum term in that employment (five years for a heart or respiratory impairment or disease and ten years for cancer) and the qualifying medical examination given before his or her joining the fire department showed no evidence of the impairment or disease. A fire fighter who meets these conditions is eligible for disability or death benefits under s.40.65, Stats.

2009 Senate Bill 429 creates a similar presumption for municipal fire fighter, emergency medical service providers, law enforcement officers, or correctional officers who die or are disabled as a result of certain infectious diseases. The bill provides that in a proceeding regarding benefits for a state, county, or municipal fire fighter, emergency medical service provider, law enforcement officer, or correctional officer who dies or is disabled as a result of certain infectious diseases, there is a presumption that the disease was caused by the person's employment as a fire fighter, an emergency medical service provider, a law enforcement officer, or a correctional officer if the person's qualifying medical examination showed no evidence of the disease. The bill does not require a minimum term of employment to qualify for the presumption. Thus, a state, county, or municipal fire fighter, emergency medical service provider, law enforcement officer, or correctional officer who meets the conditions of the bill is entitled to duty disability or death benefits under s.40.65, Stats. Duty disability and death benefits are paid out of the core trust fund.

In order to determine the cost to the core fund, an actuarial study would be necessary. As the legislature does not employ an actuary, the Legislative Council Staff would need to contract with the actuarial firm contracted by ETF at an approximate cost of \$15,000. An actuarial study may be requested by the cochairpersons of the Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems (JSCRS) for bills referred to the JSCRS or by the presiding officer of either house of the Wisconsin Legislature for a bill that is pending in that house.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Long-range implications remain indeterminate until an actuarial study is performed.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2009 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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II. Annualized Costs:	Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:
	Increased Costs Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category	
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$
(FTE Position Changes)	
State Operations - Other Costs	15,000
Local Assistance	
Aids to Individuals or Organizations	
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$15,000
B. State Costs by Source of Funds	
GPR	15,000
FED	
PRO/PRS	
SEG/SEG-S	
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)	
	Increased Rev Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes	\$
GPR Earned	
FED	
PRO/PRS	
SEG/SEG-S	
TOTAL State Revenues	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT	
	State Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$15,000
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$
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